

On page 1, lines 3-9, please delete the text of the Cross-Reference to Related Applications section and replace it with the following:

-The present application is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 08/741,095, filed October 30, 1996, which is incorporated herein by reference; said U.S. Application No. 08/741,095 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 08/464,595, U.S. Application No. 08/462,962, and U.S. Application No. 08/462,315, each of which was filed June 5, 1995 and are incorporated herein by reference; said U.S. Application Nos. 08/464,595, 08/462,962 and 08/462,315 are each continuations-in-part of PCT/US95/05058, filed April 27, 1995, which is incorporated herein by reference.

On page 1, line 10, immediately before "Field of the Invention" please insert as a section heading **--Background of the Invention--**.

On page 4, line 6, please delete "Pfefferk" and insert therefor --Pfeffer, K--.

On page 4, line 26, please delete "in bacterial hosts".

On page 9, line 4, please delete "12301 Park Lawn Drive, Rockville, Maryland 20852" and insert therefor --10801 University Blvd., Manassas, VA 20110-2209, USA--.

On page 10, line 4, please delete "The" and insert therefor --All of the--.

On page 17, line 16, after second occurrence of "acids", please insert ---.

On page 21, line 18, please delete "(150 mM NaCl, 15 mM trisodium citrate)" and insert --(750 mM NaCl, 75 mM trisodium citrate)--.

On page 21, line 19, please delete "20 g/ml" and insert therefor --20 µg/ml--.

On page 42, line 15, please delete "Rockville, Maryland" and insert therefor --Manassas, VA--.

On page 75, line 13, please delete "(Rockville, MD)" and insert therefor --(Manassas, VA)--.

After Example 6, on page 84, after line 3, please insert the following example:

--Example 7

Expression Pattern of TNF Receptor Expression in Human Tissue

Northern blot analysis is carried out to examine the levels of expression of TNF receptor in human tissues. Total cellular RNA samples are isolated with RNAzol™ B system (Biotecx Laboratories, Inc., Houston, Tex.). About 10 µg of total RNA isolated from each human tissue specified is separated on 1% agarose gel and blotted onto a nylon filter (Sambrook, Fritsch, and Maniatis, Molecular Cloning, Cold Spring Harbor Press, (1989)). The labeling reaction is done according to the Stratagene Prime-It kit with 50 ng DNA fragment. The labeled DNA is purified with a Select-G-50 column (5 Prime - 3 Prime, Inc. Boulder, CO). The filter is then hybridized with radioactive labeled full length TNF receptor gene at 1,000,000 cpm/ml in 0.5 M NaPO₄, pH 7.4 and 7% SDS overnight at 65 °C. After washing twice at room temperature and twice at 60 °C with 0.5 X SSC, 0.1% SDS, the filter is then exposed at -70 °C overnight with an intensifying screen. -

~~Please remove pages 85-104 and insert therefor pages 85-106 included herewith, which contain the amended Sequence Listing for the subject invention. Please renumber the pages which follow accordingly.~~

In the Claims:

~~Please cancel claim 21 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.~~